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TITLE OF INVENTION: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR EFFICIENT RECOVERY OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

APPLN, TYPE	APPLN, TYPE SMALL ENTITY ISSUE FEE		PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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# Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 42 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 42 day(s).

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Effective October 1, 2003, 37 CFR 1.18 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) through (c) to read as set forth below.

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